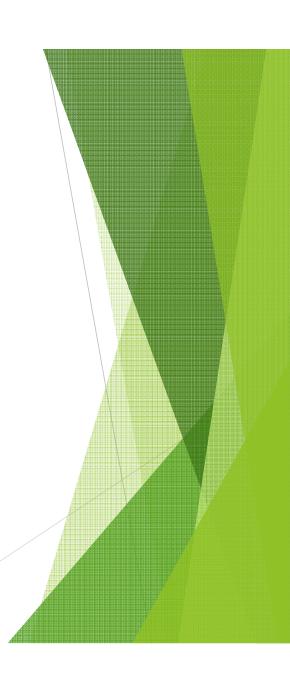


# Finding Your Leadership Style

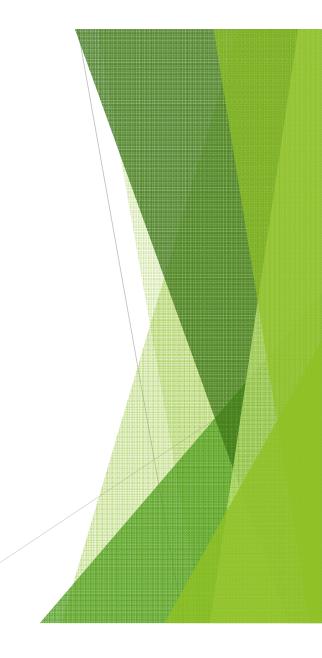
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**Workshop Description** 

Discover the seven virtues that are critical for all leaders. Identify your natural leadership abilities and the virtues in which you are naturally strong and those you need to focus on to improve your leadership.

# Virtues All Educational Leaders Should Possess





#### Courage

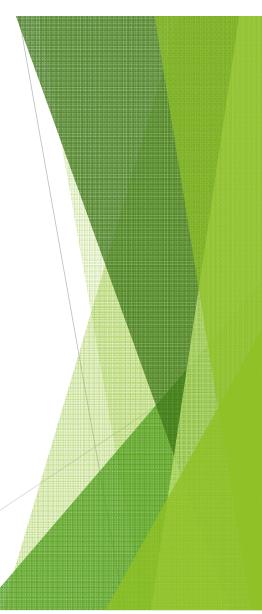
What does it mean to be a courageous leader?

Educational leaders need to be willing to stand up for what they know to be right in the face of opposition. Articulate your beliefs.

Critically examine your beliefs and values. Then form a belief system you can rely on when you are confronted with a crisis.

Role play situations that require courage.

Practice reacting to situations before they happen. It will strengthen your resolve and build confidence.



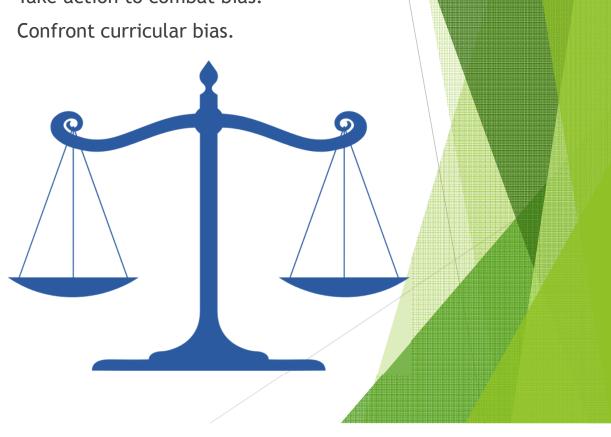
#### **Impartiality**

What does it mean to be an impartial leader?

Educational leaders need to be committed to maintaining a nonpartisan position on issues and to taking an active stand against hate, bias, and injustice.

Examine your biases. Everyone is prejudiced to some degree. We all make judgements about people and situations.

Take action to combat bias.



- Demonstrate through action that people come first.
- Communicate caring.
- ► Improve listening skills

## **Empathy**

What does it mean to be an empathetic leader?

Educational leaders need to sense, identify with, and understand what others are feeling.



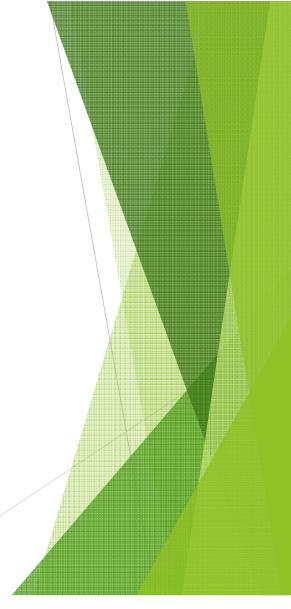
- ► Sharpen your critical thinking skills
- ► Engage in reflective practice
- Undertake action research

### **Judgement**

What does is it mean to be a good judge?

Education leaders need to be thoughtful, consensus builders and realize the importance of action research as a tool for making sound decisions.





- ► Fine tune your values
- ► Increase levels of enthusiasm

#### Enthusiasm

What does it mean to be an enthusiastic leader?

Educational leaders cannot be trained in enthusiasm. It's a natural characteristic. Enthusiasm is the state of being in which one exudes fervor about something that is of value and importance.





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